Sustainable Rivers Project

A National Collaboration between the Corps and TNC

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-The Nature Conservancy

Memorandum of Understanding

PURPOSE…

…to facilitate effective and efficient management of important biological resources within the context of the Corps' Civil Works and regulatory missions

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Objectives include…

- Protect or restore freshwater and coastal habitats for native animals and plants and natural communities;
- Advance our understanding of the distribution and condition of biological diversity associated with our Nation's marine, coastal and riparian waters;
- Promote non-structural flood protection and other measures to maintain natural ecosystem functions at sustainable levels;
- ***Encourage water management measures that benefit native animals and plants and natural communities while meeting human needs;***
- ***Foster demonstration projects to test promising water management strategies while monitoring their efficacy in meeting multiple objectives;***
- Cooperate in the monitoring and management of rare and endangered species and their habitat potentially affected by projects and programs pursuant to this MOU.
- Promote the gathering and sharing of scientific data and research by either entity as it may be related to projects of mutual interest and concern.

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(July 2002 Launch)

Objectives…

- Advance The Nature Conservancy's conservation goals and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' mission in ecosystem restoration within the context of the national Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

- Export to additional projects the lessons learned from the Corps-TNC collaboration on re-operating the Green River Dam (Kentucky) for ecosystem improvement.

- Analyze successes, problems, and solutions for re-operating Corps dams to achieve more ecologically sustainable flows, while meeting human needs.

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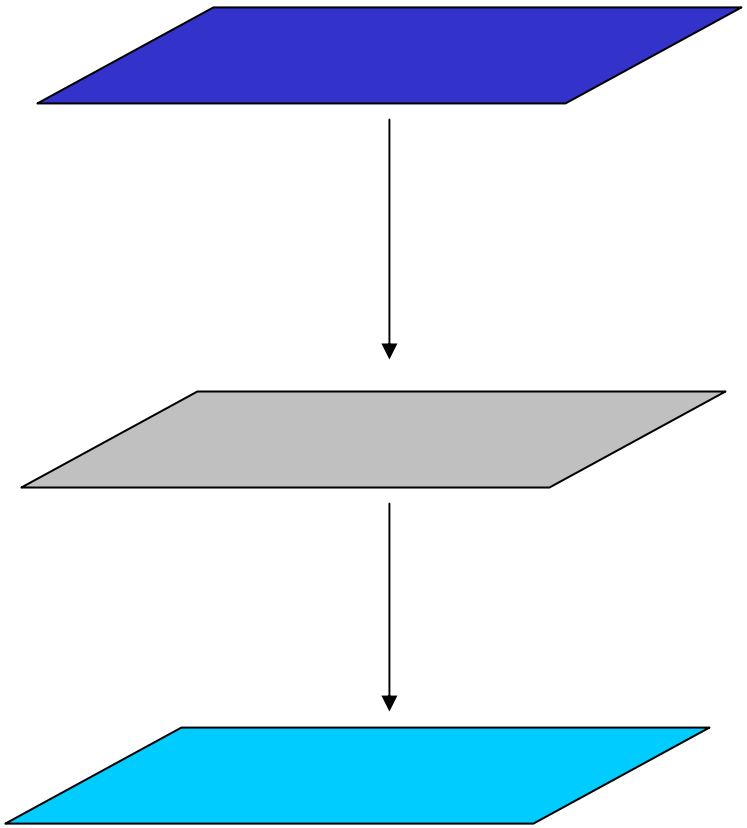
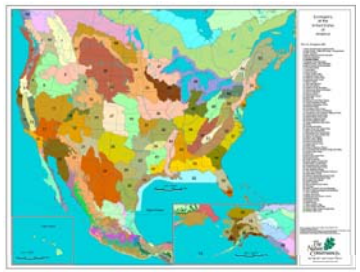
Identifying SRP Sites





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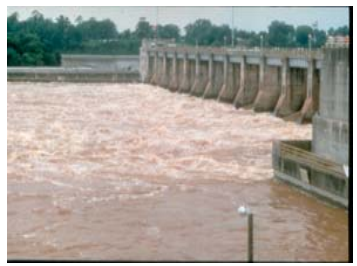

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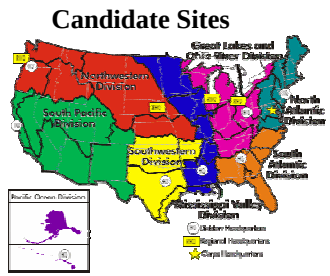

Candidate Sites

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Current Sites (11/04)

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